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SUBJECT: GREEK PRESS SPECULATION ON THE RESUMPTION OF  
U.S. MILITARY AID TO GREECE

1. ATHENS MORNING NEWSPAPERS KATHIMERINI AND ELEFTHEROS KOSMOS PUBLISHED SHORT REPORTS ON JUNE 19 ALLEGING THAT U.S. MILITARY AID TO GREECE WILL BE RESUMED IN THE NEAR FUTURE. BOTH PAPERS NOTED THAT THIS SUBJECT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED BETWEEN PRESIDENT FORD AND PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS IN BRUSSELS, AND THAT THE RESUMPTION OF AID WILL OCCUR AFTER CONGRESS RECEIVES THE NECESSARY DRAFT LEGISLATION, THE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH IS NOW BEING STUDIED WITHIN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. FINALLY, THE NEWS STORIES STATE THAT THE "GREEK SIDE" TAKES THE POSITION THAT THE QUESTION OF RESUMPTION OF AID IS NOT CONNECTED WITH THE GREEK ATTITUDES TOWARD NATO NOR WITH THE TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THE STATUS OF AMERICAN BASES IN GREECE.

2. ELEFTHEROS KOSMOS ALONE ADDS THE INFORMATION

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THAT THE SECOND ROUND OF TALKS ON U.S. BASES HERE

WILL BE COMPLETED IN THE NEAR FUTURE WHEN COMMITTEES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL MEET IN ORDER TO MAKE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE APPLICATION OF DECISIONS ALREADY TAKEN DURING ROUND II. KOSMOS ALSO STATES THAT THE THIRD ROUND OF THE TALKS WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE AUTUMN. THE SUBSTANCE OF BOTH THE KOSMOS AND KATHIMERINI REPORTS IS ALSO CARRIED IN THE ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ATHENS DAILY POST.

3. COMMENT: THE BASIS FOR THE INFORMATION IN THESE NEWS STORIES IS MOST LIKELY A PRESS BACKGROUND BRIEFING GIVEN BY UNDERSECRETARY FOR PRESS AND INFORMATION AFFAIRS LAMBRIAS. THE EMBASSY HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY INQUIRIES ON THE SUBJECT.  
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